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REJOICING.

People Felicitate Pastor on His Twenty-fifth Anniversary Jubilee.

Holy Name Church Scene of Grand Festivities Wednesday.

Father O'Connor Handsomely Remembered by Adults and Children.

SERMON BY REV. FATHER LYNCH.

Holy Name church, at Fourth and O streets, was the scene of unadorned splendor Wednesday when its reverend pastor, Father John T. O'Connor, celebrated the twenty-fifth anniversary of his ordination. For a month or more the ladies, gentlemen, teachers and children of the parish had been preparing for the event, and so complete were the arrangements that there was not a hitch. While the jubilee proper was celebrated on Wednesday, the festivities began with the school commencement exercises on the night previous. It was not only the silver jubilee of Father O'Connor, but of three other priests of this diocese, Father William Buckman, of New Haven; Father Joseph Hogarty, of Lebanon; and Father Dominic Higgins, of West Louisville. The other three jubilees were celebrated on previous days at their respective churches.

The ladies and gentlemen had tastefully decorated the body of Holy Name church with evergreens, and along the walls were handsomely painted quotations from the Scriptures on matters pertaining to the priesthood. The sanctuary was decorated with green plants and white flowers and the altar was ablaze with a glory of lights. At the top on either side of the altar gas jets had been so arranged as to form the figures 1883-1908. Car from every section of the city brought friends of Father O'Connor to the church during the morning and at 9 o'clock the jubilee began the celebration of a solemn high mass. The Rev. Father D. A. Buckley, of Springfield, Ohio, was deacon; the Rev. Father John T. Hill, of Louisville, subdeacon, and the Rev. Father Thomas W. White, of Clinton, master of ceremonies. The choir, under the direction of Mrs. Lawler, rendered Von Weber's mass. After the first gospel the sermon was preached by Rev. Father Edward J. Lynch, of Henderson.

Father Lynch made no attempt at oratory, but gave a plain heart to heart talk to those assembled concerning the dignity of the priesthood, the labors and responsibilities of the priest, and the worth of Father O'Connor. He told how the jubilee, whose anniversary was being celebrated, studied and worked during his days at Preston Park Seminary. He was noted, said Father Lynch, among his fellow-seminarians as a student of an indefatigable student, for his love of duty and for his determination to follow the will of his Bishop. The speaker likewise paid tribute to Fathers Hogarty, Buckman and Higgins, who were raised to the dignity of the altar with Father O'Connor.

Father Lynch next took up the life of a man in the priesthood. It was not a life of ease, he said. The priest had to brave the cold of winter and the heat of summer, the storms and the heat of the different seasons. The priest has to climb the hills and struggle down the valleys, always a watchful shepherd over his flock. He has to face smallpox, yellow fever and other dread scourges, yet he never falters. Whatever his good is self-diffusing, he salutes and the work of the priest is good because it tends to spread happiness abroad. The priest is for the people, not the people for the priest. He hoped that the congregation would continue to honor and heed the advice of Father O'Connor, so that one day they would enjoy with him the beatitudes of heaven. In closing he spoke of the holy eucharist and of the mass.

In the sanctuary were the Very Rev. Father James P. Cronin, V. G., Very Rev. Father Lawrence Day, Rev. Dr. George W. Schuhmann, Fathers William Gausepohl, Westermann, Bachmann, Raoux, of Flint Island, and John J. Fitzgerald.

After the mass Father O'Connor not reached the street before the whole congregation swarmed around him and offered congratulations. The jubilee had a kindly word of thanks for all, and yet bore his honors very modestly. While the clergy were removing their vestments the ladies of the congregation were transforming one of the school rooms into a banquet hall. Flowers, evergreens and American flags were hung in profusion. Covers were laid for forty-two priests, and the dinner was excellent in every particular. There were no set toasts, because Father O'Connor modestly declined anything of the sort, but he could not prevent his guests from offering their felicitations informally.

The ladies who did so much to make the celebration a success from every standpoint, and who so graciously waited on the banquet table were Mesdames John Gorman, Albert Richards, Fred Rudwig, James Cummings, Michael E. Kearns, Edward Keating, Edward Wells, George Burns, Philip Wagner, Charles Schuch, Fred Plannigan and Miss Anna Caffrey. The gentlemen were Col. Michael Reichert, James Sullivan and Albert Richards.

The commencement exercises of

Holy Name parochial school were held on Tuesday night, and the talent displayed by the pupils was of a very high order. The graduates from the eighth grade were Bertha Korhage, Maude Head, Mary Fye, De Chantal Dillon, Viola McGrath, Ella O'Malley, Alma Kennedy, Allan Holbourn and Richard Nugent.

The graduates of the commercial class were Dorothy Morat, Margaret Sheridan, Nellie Meagher, Bessie Hartigan, Myrtle Smith, Nellie McDonald, Margaret Kelly, Margaret Davin, Nellie Condron, Josephine Hanberry, Mary Furey, Agnita Gruber, Florence Hallihan and Elizabeth Geisel.

When Father O'Connor delivered his address and awarded the prizes the children presented him with a basket of flowers in which was hidden \$25 in gold. Before he discovered the money the grown people of the congregation presented him with a well filled purse. Father O'Connor thanked the children and people for their generosity and praised the work of the good Sisters of Charity of Nazareth, who have taken such pains in conducting his school.

ATHLETIC PRIEST.

Owen McGrath Forsakes Diamond for the Altar.

His Grace Archbishop Farley, of New York, raised twenty young men to the dignity of the priesthood at St. Patrick's Cathedral on Saturday last week, and nearly all of them celebrated their first mass on Trinity Sunday. Most of them were Irish, too, either by birth or descent. Of the twenty ordained seventeen were graduates of St. Joseph's Seminary at Dunwoodie and three were from St. Thomas' College, Washington, D. C. The latter place is the House of Studies for the Paulists.

Conspicuous among the young levites was the Rev. Owen McGrath. His short and well compact figure with his strong, broad shoulders and his air of abounding vitality caused the congregation to watch him with the keenest interest, although there were few among them aside from his parents who had come to witness his ordination that knew him as the famous crack-back of the football team and eager pitcher of Dartmouth College baseball team. After leaving Dartmouth College he went to St. Thomas College at Washington and was ordained as a Paulist.

Father McGrath is a native of South Boston, Mass., and has been identified with athletic sports since his early boyhood. Many a time he has been seen on the football field, and many a time he has won a diamond and gridiron. Two other young Paulists were ordained with Father McGrath. They are the Rev. Fathers Daniel J. Carey, of Quincy, Mass., and Mark Tappen, of Providence, R. I.

WORTHILY WON.

Paul Doherty Awarded the Medal in Oratorical Contest.

Paul Doherty, the eldest son of Dr. William B. Doherty, won the oratorical contest at the Catholic school Tuesday night. There were fifty-five graduates, all entitled to compete in the contest, but only seven of the best speakers entered the lists. T. Kennedy Helm, A. Scott Bullitt and Lewis Humphrey were the judges.

After a careful consideration of the claims of each of the candidates the judges awarded the prize to Paul Doherty, whose subject was "The Supremacy of the Law." He handled his subject well; he used his splendid voice to advantage and was easy and graceful in his gestures. The award made by the judges met with the approval of the audience. The Irish-Americans of Louisville are proud to know that the son of one of their number inherits the talent for oratory for which Irishmen have been famous all over the world.

LADIES' OUTING.

Auxiliary of Hibernians Will Entertain on Monday.

The Ladies' Auxiliary of the A. O. H. have arranged to give their friends an enjoyable outing at the White City next Monday afternoon and evening. Miss Mary Corcoran, Miss Fannie Kennedy, Mrs. Daniel Dougherty, Miss Elizabeth King and all the other workers in the auxiliary have expended time, patience and money to make the arrangements such that both old and young will be satisfied.

The lady members of this organization have worked faithfully and indefatigably for its success. Obstacles that to others would have been insurmountable have been climbed over by these Irish-American ladies of ours. They expect a generous support of local Hibernians at the outing Monday, and there is no gaining saying that they are entitled to it. The auxiliary will use the proceeds of this affair for the entertainment of delegates and visitors to the coming State convention, for which an elaborate programme will be arranged.

AFTER MORE MEMBERS.

Chickasaw Council, Y. M. I., at Memphis, Tenn., has a membership contest in progress. Three teams of twenty men each are at work in an effort to run the membership up to 150 before July 1.

GREAT WEEK.

Chicago Catholics Spent Days in Celebrating Anniversary.

Diamond Jubilee of the First Parish Church in That City.

More Than a Million of the Faithful Took Part in Festivities.

PAULISTS ARE NOW IN CHARGE.

Chicago Catholics had a celebration in that city this week which was a demonstration upon the part of American Catholics was second only to that of the recent centenary celebration in New York City. The occasion marked the seventy-fifth anniversary of the founding of St. Mary's, the oldest parish church in Chicago. The celebration began last Sunday morning when Archbishop Quigley officiated at Pontifical high mass at St. Mary's. In the evening solemn vespers were sung and from that time until last night there was some special event every morning and evening. So great was the crowd that sought admission to the church last Sunday that only those holding cards were allowed to enter the edifice. Monday morning a requiem high mass was celebrated for the repose of the souls of deceased members of the congregation. Monday evening the Rev. Father P. J. O'Callaghan, pastor of St. Mary's, gave a dinner to the former pastors of St. Mary's.

The festivities reached a climax Friday night when a public mass meeting was held at the Auditorium. Hon. Edward J. Kane, former Mayor of Chicago, presided, and the speakers and their subjects were as follows:

William J. Onahan, "The History of the Catholic Church in Chicago," Judge Edward Osgood Brown, of the Appellate Court, "Missionary Science," Judge Paul Carpenter, of Milwaukee, "A Convert's View," Thomas D. O'Brien, of St. Paul, "The Catholic Irishman in America," Prof. J. C. Monaghan, of Notre Dame University, "The Catholic and the Flag."

Although the cross of the Saviour was brought to the present site of Chicago as early as 1673 by the zealous and adventurous Jesuit Father Marquette, it was not until 1833 that the first parish church was erected. From a mere shack of logs, a nearly square and shed for a church in 1833, one finds today 300 churches and a million of Catholic worshippers in Chicago. The first St. Mary's was a frame structure 35x25 feet. The first child baptized in the new church was George Washington Barker, now a resident of Dubuque, Ia., but who attended the festivities in Chicago this week.

Father St. Cyr, the young French priest who had charge of the congregation in those early years, took a great interest in the Indians and his congregation on Sundays was largely made up of red men. Year by year the Catholic population of the city grew until eleven years after the first church had been built Chicago was made a See, and St. Mary's was the first Cathedral. In the great fire which swept Chicago nearly forty years ago St. Mary's church was destroyed. Many of the Protestant congregations abandoned their churches in the downtown district, and as a consequence Bishop Foley bought Plymouth church from the Episcopalians and converted it into the Cathedral until 1876, when the new Cathedral was built.

In November, 1903, the Paulist Fathers assumed charge of St. Mary's and have been in control ever since. From 1903 until the present the Rev. Father Peter J. O'Callaghan has been in charge and is assisted by eight or nine other members of the Paulist order. The parish of St. Mary's is said to be one of the strongest in the United States. It is bounded on the north and west by Chicago river, on the south by Twelfth street and on the east by Lake Michigan. It is thus the parish of the richest and the poorest people in the city. If a foreign Ambassador or a millionaire stops at the Auditorium St. Mary's is his parish church. If the people of the slums are dying and need a priest they send to Father O'Callaghan's rectory. For the convenience of newspaper men and others who work at night the Paulists have a mass at 3 o'clock the morning on all Sundays and holidays of obligation.

SEVEN YOUNG PRIESTS.

Seven young men were ordained to the priesthood at St. Meinrad's Abbey, Indiana, last Sunday, and at the same time twelve were raised to the diaconate and eleven to minor orders. The Rev. Dominic Barthel, O. S. B., rector of the college, is a former Louisville man, and at present there are sixteen Kentuckians attending that institution, although none were ready for holy orders this year.

ST. COLUMBA'S CLOSING.

The Rev. Father John D. Kalaher, pastor of St. Columba's church, has announced that his parochial school exercises will take place in the school hall on Tuesday, June 23. St. Columba's is one of the baby churches of the city, but the average attendance for the school year about

to close has been between sixty and seventy pupils. Miss Bertha Schmitt will deliver the salutatory after the opening chorus. There will be quite a number of musical selections, choruses, dialogues, recitations and essays. Among those who will take part are Martina Heim, A. Reinbold, H. Bradley, Marie Weikel, Philip Gorman, Norbert Schmitt, Edna Weingartner and Amelia Weikel. The exercises will close with the singing of the Te Deum and distribution of prizes.

CONCORDIA BUSY.

Sweet Singers Made Two Trips During the Week.

The Concordia Singing Society filled two important engagements this week. Last Sunday the members went to Pewee Valley and sang the high mass at St. Aloysius church there. The congregation was delighted and the pastor, Rev. Father Boes, thanked the visitors for their presence and music. On Wednesday the society went to Indianapolis, where the Saengerfest was in progress, and helped to swell the grand chorus of 3,000 trained voices. Urban Stengel, the venerable founder of the Concordia Singing Society, headed the party that made the trip. They traveled in two cars via the interurban railroad. The Louisville singers were given a warm welcome at the Hoosier capital. Of the fifty-six active members of the organization fifty made the run to Indianapolis.

APPROVE CALL.

Church Dignitaries Aid in Preparation for Federation.

The Most Rev. S. G. Messmer, Archbishop of Milwaukee, and the Right Rev. James A. McFaul, Bishop of Trenton, have approved the call for the seventh annual national convention of the American Federation of Catholic Societies as sent out by Edward Feeney, National President, and Anthony Matne, National Secretary. The meeting will be held in Boston, August 9-12. The Catholics of the Hub City, under the leadership of Archbishop O'Connell, are making elaborate arrangements for the reception and entertainment of the delegates and will extend a cordial welcome to all visitors.

The convention will open with Pontifical high mass at Holy Cross Cathedral, and Archbishop O'Connell, who is a member of the Federation's Advisory Board, will preach the sermon. In addition to the regular convention there will be two day mass meetings for the public, when addresses will be delivered by Bishop McFaul, of Trenton; Walter George Smith, of Philadelphia; Prof. Thomas Dwight, of Harvard University; F. W. Heckenkamp, of Quincy, Ill.; Archbishop O'Connell and other representatives of Catholics ever held in the United States, and told how zealously Archbishop O'Connell and his people were working to properly receive and entertain their visitors. Any persons desiring to make the trip can obtain complete information by calling upon Secretary James B. Kelly or President Newton G. Rogers. By going properly accredited the Louisville people will not only obtain seats in the convention hall but tickets for the two public mass meetings as well.

TUG-OF-WAR.

Will Be Big Attraction at the Hibernian Celebration.

The various committees of the County Board, A. O. H., have things excellently well in hand for their big celebration at the White City on July 4. It will not only be a Hibernian celebration but a national celebration of Independence day as well. The Irish-Americans of Louisville will have all their friends who wish to enjoy a real Fourth of July celebration to join them on this occasion.

Not only will all the usual attractions be in operation, but the Hibernians will have the usual quota of field games as well. Owing to the limited space in the White City grounds, the usual hammer throwing and running races for men and the ball game have been abandoned. But beginning at 2:30 o'clock the potato races, egg races and short distance races for children will begin.

The piece de resistance, as they say in French, will be the tug-of-war between Divisions 1 and 4. In answer to Portland's "defy" of Limerick, John J. Barry has picked a team from Division 4 which he declares will drag the Portland contingent clear to Butcher street. On the other hand Tom Dolan says the Portland boys will win the Ohio river and drag Limerick's team to the top of the Indiana Knobs. Messrs. Dolan and Barry have charge of the athletic arrangements and expect to announce their complete programme next week.

ESCAPED FLAMES.

Fire of mysterious origin damaged the residence of Michael Devaney, 704 West Oak street, at an early hour last Saturday morning. The members of the family were almost suffocated by the smoke, and were rescued only after hard work on the part of the firemen. The loss will exceed \$100.

HONOR FOR DOMINICANS.

The Very Rev. Father D. J. Kennedy, O. P., has been appointed to the chair of sacramental theology which was founded at the last meeting of the Trustees of the Catholic University at Washington, D. C. Father Kennedy is Prior of the Immaculate Conception Convent at Washington, and is regarded as one of the ablest Dominicans in the United States.

NO VACATION.

Jefferson County Federation Will Hold Sessions in Summer.

Resolutions Censuring Mayor For Omissions Are Adopted.

Two Representative Men Will Attend National Convention.

EXCHEQUER IS AT LOW EBB.

The Catholic Federation of Jefferson County held its regular monthly meeting at Bertrand Hall Thursday night. The attendance was large and representative of the organizations affiliated, and all the delegates exhibited great interest and enthusiasm. Owing to the absence of Secretary James B. Kelly, Thomas J. Garvey was selected to occupy the chair during the evening. After a full and free discussion, and in view of the large attendance at recent meetings, it was decided not to abandon the meetings during the summer, but to hold them regularly every month.

Owing to the state of the society's exchequer it was decided not to send accredited delegates to the national convention at Boston in August, but when Mrs. P. S. Ganz and Rev. J. Lammers, both delegates to the County Federation, announced that they intended to be present at the convention, the chair was authorized to furnish them with credentials. A communication from Owensboro was read announcing that a movement was well under way there to establish a branch of the Federation in Davies county.

The members discussed generally the work of the Trustees of the Louisville Free Library, and not only surprise and regret but censure was voiced because the Mayor of Louisville failed to appoint at least one Catholic on the Library Board when he had an opportunity last April. Delegates from one of the societies affiliating presented resolutions denouncing the mayor's omission. These resolutions were read, discussed and adopted.

The Treasurer was instructed to pay \$10 as the dues of Jefferson County's Federation to the National Council. Acting President Rogers read a communication from National Secretary Matne relative to the national convention to be held in Boston, August 9-12, told of the many advantages to be gained by a visit to that city while the convention was in progress, and urged all who could afford it to make the trip. He said it would be one of the largest and most representative gatherings of Catholics ever held in the United States, and told how zealously Archbishop O'Connell and his people were working to properly receive and entertain their visitors. Any persons desiring to make the trip can obtain complete information by calling upon Secretary James B. Kelly or President Newton G. Rogers. By going properly accredited the Louisville people will not only obtain seats in the convention hall but tickets for the two public mass meetings as well.

TRIPLE CHURCH EVENT.

Five former altar boys at St. Agnes' church, New York City, took part in the solemn high mass in that church last Sunday. It might be called a triple celebration—it was the first of the Rev. Father Joseph B. Scully, who was ordained the day before, and the deacon, subdeacon and masters of ceremonies, though not yet raised to the priesthood, were like Father Scully former acolytes in the same sanctuary. It was also the forty-fifth anniversary of the Rev. Father Henry A. Brann, D. D., the first graduate of the American College at Rome. Father Brann preached the sermon.

DELIGHTFUL OCCASION.

Despite the extraordinarily frigid zephyrs that played along the Ohio river Monday night, the steamboat Hiawatha carried more than 400 people on the moonlight excursion given under the auspices of Division 3, A. O. H. In fact the weather was really in favor of the excursionists, for had it been a warm night the boat would not only have been overcrowded, but many would have been left behind. It was delightful for dancing and promenading, and all who took advantage of the trip returned delighted and refreshed as well as anxious to know when Division 3 would try it again.

WESTFIELD-BRENNAN.

One of the most elaborate weddings that took place at the Sacred Heart church this season was that which united Miss Theresa Maria Westfield and Edward A. Brennan last Thursday morning. The Rev. Father Walsh tied the nuptial knot and celebrated the mass that followed. The church was handsomely decorated for the occasion, and every seat was filled by the friends of the happy young couple. The bride wore a costume of white moire and bridal veil and carried a beautiful bouquet. The attendants were J. B. Brennan, best man; A. B. Brennan, Louis

Westfield and John Hines. After the ceremonies at the church the bridal party and the immediate families of the bride and groom were tendered a reception at the home of the bride's parents, Seventeenth and Chestnut streets. Later in the day Mr. and Mrs. Brennan left for a tour through the East. The bride is the charming daughter of Mr. and Mrs. August Westfield. Mr. Brennan is one of the most popular young men in the West End.

PLEASING CLOSE.

Presentation Academy Has Four New Graduates This Year.

Amid a blaze of glory the pupils of Presentation Academy closed their school year last Monday. From the "Ave Maria" which opened the programme until the final number, "The Heavens Are Telling," there was no lack of interest upon the part of pupils, parents, patrons and friends of this grand old institution. For fifty years and more the Sisters of Charity of Nazareth have been educating the sons and daughters of the people of Louisville. Some of our ablest men, many of our best women, had their early training at Presentation Academy. No wonder was it then when the hall was filled last Monday by hundreds of friends of that famous old academy.

The graduates this year were Misses Ethel Elizabeth Bitzer, Rena Wilhelmina Eckert, Lucille Katherine Shanley and Louise Raphael Shelley. Besides these literary honors were conferred upon Misses Florence V. Barrett, Helen K. Gross, Katherine E. Meagher, M. Genevieve Warren, and literary certificates were received by Misses Marie Katherine Baker, Dorothy Vernon Gott and Mary Elizabeth O'Bryan. The Very Rev. Father James P. Cronin, V. G., delivered the closing address and conferred the honors and certificates.

The programme was replete with vocal and instrumental musical numbers as well as essays. All in all the commencement was a brilliant expression of the year's work at Presentation Academy.

IRISH ATHLETES.

Will Represent America in Big Olympic Games in London.

The United States will be ably represented in the Olympic games in London next month, and it is expected that the fourteen representatives of the Irish-American Athletic Club of New York will carry off the honors. Martin J. Sheridan, undoubtedly the greatest all-around athlete in the United States, will head the Irish-American delegation. Other members of the New York Club who will go to London for the big games are A. C. Allen, George G. Cameron, Harvey W. Cohn, C. J. Bacon, George V. Bonhag, Joseph J. Bromilow, John J. Flanagan, the great hammer thrower; John J. Hayes, Daniel J. Kelly, Harry F. Porter, Lawson Robertson, Melvin J. Sheppard, J. P. Sullivan and Lee J. Talbot. It may be that still other representatives of the Irish-American Athletic Club will be added to the team before the start is made for London.

In the recent tournament in Philadelphia Sheridan beat his own record in the free style discus throwing, and was in turn beaten by A. K. Dearborn, of the New York Athletic Club. Sheridan's former record in Philadelphia was 136 feet and one-third of an inch. This he best by throwing the discus 139 feet, 6 1/2 inches. Ten minutes later Dearborn hurled the discus 139 feet 11 inches. Sheridan was the first to congratulate the victor.

LAWN FETE.

Father White's Parishioners Anxious to Liquidate Debt.

A lawn fete and ice cream social for the benefit of St. Frances of Rome church will be given on the grounds surrounding the church next Wednesday and Thursday evenings. Father White's parishioners enjoy a reputation for furnishing a most pleasant and entertaining time for all at anything they undertake, and the mere announcement usually results in a gratifying attendance. The congregation is working enthusiastically in an effort to make a large payment on the remainder of their church debt. Among those who are working energetically for the success of the affair are Joseph D. Bailey, Charles Seiver, Elmore Sherman, Joseph X. Kessack, George Martin, T. H. Merimee, Peter Heim, Ed Miller, James Russell, Miss Rosa Shea, Mrs. Ed Mueller, Misses Julia and Mamie Holloran, Minnie Murray and Mary Tobin. Many unique attractions will be offered for the entertainment of the patrons. The admission will be only fifteen cents.

HAS NEW PLANT.

The Catholic Register, the official organ of the Bishops of America, now being published from its own plant. The Catholic Register is a bright, newsy and well edited journal, and has the loyal support of Bishop Matz.

IRISH AND CATHOLIC.

Sir Charles Fitzpatrick, a devout Catholic, has been chosen to represent Canada and Newfoundland at the Hague tribunal to settle the Atlantic fisheries dispute with the United States. Sir Charles is the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Canada.

QUIETLY.

Did the Republicans Take Their Pleasure in Chicago Convention.

Kentucky's Fight Seemed to Overshadow all Other Obstacles.

Compromise Candidate Was Chosen to Succeed John W. Yerkes.

NO GLEAM THROUGH GLOOM.

Republicans from every State in the Union and from all the Territories and colonial possessions of the United States assembled in convention at Chicago on Tuesday to nominate candidates for the Presidency and Vice Presidency and to adopt a platform upon which these candidates were to stand or fall. Of course there were tens of thousands of visitors at the mammoth Coliseum where the convention was held, but the internecine strife in Kentucky overshadowed all other interests.

The national Republican convention opened at noon Tuesday, and at first the indications were that the machine was greased and that the whole show would be over within twenty-four hours. The call to order and the prayer, offered by Bishop Muldoon, took up sixteen minutes of the time of the first session. After that Senator Burrows, of Michigan, was elected temporary Chairman, and was expected to sound the keynote of Republican policies for the next four years. He had his notes all right and read from them in a voice inaudible to 90 per cent. of the delegates. At 2:30 o'clock the convention adjourned until noon of the next day, with nothing done.

The Credentials Committee met overnight and seated all the Taft delegates irrespective of the claims made by adherents of Fairbanks, Knox, Cannon and other Presidential candidates. After that the opposition to Secretary Taft appeared to fall supinely and allow the machine to roll over them without rubber tires.

Wednesday Hon. Henry Cabot Lodge, of Massachusetts, was elected permanent Chairman, and the convention appeared to have been certain of subsequent procedure. Fortunately or unfortunately, Mr. Lodge intercepted the name of Theodore Roosevelt. That settled it for the day. The most radical Democrat in the United States honors Mr. Roosevelt as President-elect, and the foreigner who said aught against him would be in danger of personal violence. But the Republicans went wild, forgot Taft, forgot the platform and everything else in cheering for Eddy. The exhausting stream of enthusiasm blew in gusts of thirty minutes. Ohio and Kentucky delegations made no demonstrations while all this was going on. The Ohio people wanted Taft nominated; the Kentuckians did not seem to care a continental who the Presidential nominee was if they could have been in the State's representative on the National Committee. Kentucky was deadlocked. John W. Yerkes, who has been Kentucky's representative for several years, did not attend the convention. Mr. McCulloch, of Owensboro, one of the ablest men in the State, a man without a headache of political or personal discussions, represented Mr. Yerkes until the Kentucky delegation organized. Then the fun began. Richard P. Ernst, of the Sixth Congressional district, wanted to be the National Committeeman; so did Frank M. Fisher, of the First district. The Kentucky delegation had twenty-six votes. Ernst claimed sixteen; Fisher claimed fifteen. After several skirmishes a vote was taken Wednesday and Ernst and Fisher got thirteen votes each. It was a deadlock. Thursday morning the Kentucky delegates met again, and as the best way out of a bad bargain chose Judge A. R. Burnam as a compromise candidate.

This is the same Judge Burnam that Gov. Bradley's friends accused of knifing their candidate at the late Phoenix Hill convention. Even the most strenuous of the Republican newspapers call attention to the lack of enthusiasm on the part of the delegates. There were occasional outbursts, but nothing more. The labor vote, represented by Samuel W. Gompers, President of the American Federation of Labor, and several of his colleagues, appeared before the committee on resolutions Wednesday and asked for the insertion of planks on Federal injunctions and woman suffrage.

As the Kentucky Irish American goes to press the wires bring the intelligence that Secretary of War William H. Taft has been nominated for President. He has been in politics all his life, served as Federal Judge and Governor of the Philippine Islands before breaking into the Cabinet. He ought to be up to his job, if elected, but the Democrats will have something to say about that.

DR. COFFEY HERE.

Many friends welcomed Dr. John Francis Coffey when he passed through Louisville this week to attend the annual mid-summer gathering of his brethren of the Kentucky newspaper fraternity. Dr. Coffey was for several years an editorial writer on the Herald, but for some time past has been the editor of the Whitley Republican. Whole-souled and genial, Dr. Coffey, although an intense Republican, never lets politics interfere with his personal friendships.